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Applicant(s): Ryuji Ishiguro et al.

Serial No.: 09/872,509

Filed : June 1, 2001

For : ENCIPHERING APPARATUS AND METHOD, DECIPHERING APPARATUS AND METHOD AS WELL AS INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD UTILIZING A KEY FOR ENCIPHERING AND DECIPHERING ETC.

Examiner : Song, Hosuk

Art Unit : 2135

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Total claims	70	Minus	70 =	0 ×	\$50(25)	= \$0.00
Independent claims	16	Minus	16 =	0 ×	\$200(100)	= 0.00
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$0.00

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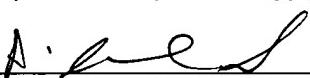
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**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 25, 2004, please amend the above-  
identified application as follows: